### Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

#### Listing of Claims:

- (currently amended): A system for providing Web-based remote 1 1. security application client administration in a distributed computing environment, 2 3 comprising: a self-extracting configuration file containing an executable configuration 4 file that is self-extractable on a target client into an administered a security 5 application that is remotely administered by an administrator system; 6 an executable control embedded within an active administration Web 7 page, the executable control being triggered upon each request for the active Web 8 page by the administrator system and causing dynamic Web content to be 9 10 generated therefrom; a Web server exporting a Web portal comprising the active administration 11 Web page to a browser application on the administrator system independent of a 12 specific operating environment and interpreting the executable control to facilitate 13
- (original): A system according to Claim 1, further comprising:
   the Web server facilitating copying of the self-extracting configuration file
   concurrently to a plurality of target clients.

copying of the self-extracting configuration file to the target client.

- (original): A system according to Claim 1, further comprising:
   the Web server checking administrator credentials while exporting the
   Web portal against a list of authorized administrators.
- 4. (original): A system according to Claim 1, further comprising:
  the Web server monitoring the status of the copying of the self-extracting
  configuration file to at least one target client.

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1	5.	(original): A system according to Claim 1, further comprising:	
2	the Web server reporting the status of security application configuration		
3	on at least one target client.		
1	6.	(original): A system according to Claim 1, further comprising:	
2	the sel	f-extracting configuration file performing at least one of an	
3	installation, configuration, updating, and patching of the security application by		
4	executing the executable configuration file.		
1	7.	(original): A system according to Claim 1, wherein the executable	
2	configuration	file comprises at least one of a virus scanning, virus screening,	
3	active security, firewall, and VPN performance reporting application.		
1	8.	(original): A system according to Claim 1, wherein the executable	
2	configuration file is a cabinet archival file.		
1	9.	(original): A system according to Claim 1, wherein the active	
2	control is an Active X-compliant control.		
1	10.	(original): A system according to Claim 1, wherein the distributed	
2	computing environment is TCP/IP-compliant.		
1	11.	(currently amended): A method for providing Web-based remote	
2	security application client administration in a distributed computing environment,		
3	comprising:	·	
4	storing a self-extracting configuration file containing an executable		
5	configuration file that is self-extractable on a target client into an administered a		
6	security application that is remotely administered by an administrator system;		
7	providing an executable control embedded within an active administration		
8	Web page, the executable control being triggered upon each request for the active		
9	Web page by the administrator system and causing dynamic Web content to be		
10	generated therefrom;		

11	exporting a Web portal comprising the active administration web page to		
12	a browser application on the administrator system independent of a specific		
13	operating environment; and		
14	interp	reting the executable control to facilitate copying of the self-	
15	extracting configuration file to the target client.		
1	12.	(original): A method according to Claim 11, further comprising:	
2	facilitating copying of the self-extracting configuration file concurrently to		
3	a plurality of target clients.		
i	13.	(original): A method according to Claim 11, further comprising:	
2	checking administrator credentials while exporting the Web portal against		
3	a list of authorized administrators.		
1	14.	(original): A method according to Claim 11, further comprising:	
2	monitoring the status of the copying of the self-extracting configuration		
3	file to at least one target client.		
1	15.	(original): A method according to Claim 11, further comprising:	
2	reporting the status of security application configuration on at least one		
3	target client.		
1	16.	(original): A method according to Claim 11, further comprising:	
2	performing at least one of an installation, configuration, updating, and		
3	patching of the	he security application by executing the executable configuration file.	
1	17.	(original): A method according to Claim 11, wherein the	
2	executable configuration file comprises at least one of a virus scanning, virus		
3	screening, active security, firewall, and VPN performance reporting application.		
1	18.	(original): A method according to Claim 11, wherein the	
2	executable co	onfiguration file is a cabinet archival file.	

1	19. (original): A method according to Claim 11, wherein the active		
2	control is an Active X-compliant control.		
	20. (original): A method according to Claim 11, wherein the		
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2	distributed computing environment is TCP/IP-compliant.		
1	21. (original): A computer-readable storage medium holding code for		
2	performing the method according to Claim 11.		
1	22. (currently amended): A system for remotely administering a client		
2	application using a Web-based portal in a TCP/IP-compliant environment,		
3	comprising:		
4	an archival configuration file capable of self-extracting on a target client		
5	into an executable configuration file;		
6	an executable control embedded into an active administration Web page,		
7	the executable control being triggered upon each request for the active Web page		
8	by a requesting administrator and causing dynamic Web content to be generated		
9	therefrom;		
10	a Web server serving the active administration Web page to a browser		
11	application to [[a]] the requesting administrator, comprising:		
12	a security module confirming credentials for the requesting		
13	administrator against a list of authorized administrators; and		
14	a transfer module interpreting the executable control upon		
15	successful credentialing to facilitate substantially concurrent copying of the self-		
16	extracting configuration file to at least one target client.		
1	23. (original): A system according to Claim 22, further comprising:		
2	the Web server continuously monitoring the status of the copying of the		
3	self-extracting configuration file to the at least one target client; and		
4	the Web server generating a status event upon completion of the copying.		
1	24. (original): A system according to Claim 22, further comprising:		

2	the Web server reporting the status of each application configuration on		
3	the at least one target client.		
1	25. (original): A system according to Claim 22, wherein the active		
2	control is an Active X-compliant control.		
1	26. (currently amended): A method for remotely administering a client		
2	application using a Web-based portal in a TCP/IP-compliant environment,		
3	comprising:		
4	storing an archival configuration file capable of self-extracting on a target		
5	client into an executable configuration file;		
6	embedding an executable control into an active administration Web page,		
7	the executable control being triggered upon each request for the active Web page		
8	by a requesting administrator and causing dynamic Web content to be generated		
9	therefrom;		
10	serving the active administration Web page to a browser application to		
11	[[a]] the requesting administrator, comprising:		
12	confirming credentials for the requesting administrator against a		
13	list of authorized administrators; and		
14	interpreting the executable control upon successful credentialing to		
15	facilitate substantially concurrent copying of the self-extracting configuration file		
16	to at least one target client.		
1	27. (original): A method according to Claim 26, further comprising:		
2	continuously monitoring the status of the copying of the self-extracting		
3	configuration file to the at least one target client; and		
4	generating a status event upon completion of the copying.		
1	28. (original): A method according to Claim 26, further comprising:		
2	reporting the status of each application configuration on the at least one		
3	target client.		

- 1 29. (original): A method according to Claim 26, wherein the active
- 2 control is an Active X-compliant control.
- 1 30. (original): A computer-readable storage medium holding code for
- 2 performing the method according to Claim 26.